

## **Concordia Lutheran Church, Chicago (Northside) - Organist & Choir Director**

Concordia Lutheran Church, located in Chicago's North Center community, is interviewing candidates for the salaried position of Part-time Organist & Choir Director principally responsible for Sunday worship and special services. This position works closely with the Music Director.

Concordia is a vibrant, growing congregation with a renovated church pipe organ, grand piano and an active adult choir. The church's music program also maintains a concert series with 3 or more concerts annually. Exceptional candidates must demonstrate proficiency in playing for congregational singing and instrumental music in a broad range of musical styles, especially comfortable with hymns and liturgies found in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) hymnal. Salary range is between \$20,000 and \$22,000 and is commensurate with experience and education.

Inquiries and resumes should be directed to Marisa Buchheit, Music Director, at [mbuchheit@concordiafaith.org](mailto:mbuchheit@concordiafaith.org) | Phone: 773-281-1225

### **Organist & Choir Director**

**Description of Services.** In general during the terms of this agreement, you will prepare and provide organ and/or piano music for all liturgical services, direct choir and musician performances and with the Music Director lead the community expansion of the music ministry. You serve on the Music Ministry Team and report directly to the Music Director. Specifically this involves:

- Principal Musician and Choir Director for all liturgical services of the church year, including supervision of the performance of all other music leaders and musicians at services. Liturgical services include one Sunday service and other holiday services as determined by the Pastor, such as Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Ash Wednesday, Advent, Lenten and Holy Week services.
- Collaborate with the Music Director in selecting and providing instrumental music for all liturgical worship services
- Conduct choir and music rehearsals on a schedule deemed appropriate to achieve performance standards for worship services in coordination with the Music Director.
- Recruit new talented musicians and singers to the group.
- Collaborate with the Music Ministry Team in the Music Ministry's Outreach Initiative (this includes Advent & Lent Vesper recordings, concert series, nursing home performances, and community outreach on behalf of the music team)
- Assist in the organization and execution of concerts as part of the Concordia Concerts series
- Collaborate in recruitment and support of the Benefactor Society for Concordia Church's music ministry.
- Provide performance information, announcements and other related information in a timely fashion to meet the publication needs of worship services.
- Oversee maintenance and regular tuning of the music instruments in the sanctuary, primarily the church organ and piano.
- Coordinate with the Music Director to schedule substitute musicians for vacations and absences.
- The Organist & Choir Director is first consulted for weddings and funerals; if engaged, compensation is separately provided.